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Introduction

Incumbent is a Surveying Technician for a surveying crew. Region 3, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Duties include:

A. Major Duties:

- -- Operates sighting instruments and electronic distance measuring equipment to measure angles, distances, and differences in elevation on uncomplicated surveys.
- -- Researches courthouse records and interviews landowners to obtain boundary and ownership information.
- Selects and records descriptive data when complete detailed survey notes are required.
- -- Makes elementary computations with the use of a calculator or computer; checks computations of higher grade employees for transposition of figures.
- -- Makes complete and detailed sketches of survey area. including information on relief, drainage, culture, and conditions under which survey was made; reports on survey findings.
- -- Files survey material.

B. Factors:

1. Knowledge required by the position

- -- Highly developed skill and knowledge of surveying equipment and procedures to make accurate measurements on uncomplicated surveys.
- -- Practical knowledge of laws and regulations affecting surveys and boundaries to carry out survey activities within State legal requirements.
- -- Specialized skill in record keeping in order to select and record a wide range of data to construct complete and detailed survey notes.
- -- Ability to recognize and represent on paper all pertinent geographical features of the survey area to make complete and detailed sketches of the survey area.
- Skill in verbal and written communication to interview landowners and to write reports requiring a minimum of review and editing.

- -- Skill in mathematics to perform elementary computations.
- -- Skill in operation of motorized vehicles.

2. Supervisory Controls

Work assignments are made in terms of scope and objectives and without specific instructions as to work methods to be employed. Incumbent independently solves technical problems of the type previously encountered, but may receive assistance from the supervisor in cases involving unfamiliar methods and concepts. Completed work is reviewed for appropriate application of methods and for technical adequacy.

3. Guidelines

Detailed guidelines are available in the form of verbal and written instructions from a higher grade employee, surveying texts and handbooks, laws and legal requirements affecting surveys and boundaries, etc. Incumbent uses some judgment to select, apply, and adapt appropriate guidelines.

4. Complexity

Incumbent performs a wide variety of tasks requiring a substantial background and knowledge in surveying methods and techniques, such as operating a variety of surveying instruments to make accurate measurements on uncomplicated surveys9 selecting and recording descriptive data to construct complete and detailed survey notes, etc. A high degree of judgment and skill is required in selecting and recording field information to provide adequate coverage in survey notes and sketches. A high degree of skill is also required in the making of accurate measurements with a variety of instruments. Assignments may require incumbent to adapt standard methods and procedures to the individual situation.

5. Scope and Effect

The purpose of the work is to assist in completion of maps and surveys required by the Service for the purpose of land acquisition, development, management and disposal. Incumbent's work contributes to the overall efficiency of the surveys performed and supports the activities of the realty unit.

6. Personal Contacts

Contacts are with co-workers, landowners, county surveyors, other county employees, and refuge personnel.

7. Purpose of Contacts

Contacts are for the purpose of receiving assignments and instructions, and exchanging factual information involved in the survey assignment.

8. Physical Requirements

The work requires physical exertion such as carrying heavy surveying instruments while walking considerable distances over wet, rough, uneven or rocky surfaces; bending, crouching, stooping, stretching, reaching, climbing or similar activities. Work requires average agility and dexterity.

9. Work Environment

The work requires both office and outdoor work. Temperatures and weather extremes may be encountered in the performance of outdoor work. Incumbent must conduct duties in a safe and orderly manner so as not to injure self, fellow workers. or property with which entrusted.

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